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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

EASTERN DIVISION

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EDISON BREWING COMPANY, LLC,

Plaintiff,

VS

Case No.

2:21-cv-00876-EAS-CMV

GOURMET FRESH, LLC,

Defendant.

\* \* \*

Deposition of LISA SULLIVAN,

Witness herein, called by the Plaintiff for

cross-examination pursuant to the Rules of

Civil Procedure, taken before me, Donald

Correll, a Notary Public in and for the State

of Ohio, at Standley Law Group, LLP, on

Tuesday, the 2nd day of December 2021, at

9:27 a.m.

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1 contracted for outside wedding planning  
2 services.

3 Q. Does Izaya essentially function as  
4 a wedding planner?

5 A. She handles all of the planning  
6 related to the venue and all of our services.  
7 She wouldn't, for example, assist with an  
8 off-site ceremony or helping them with a  
9 photographer contract, for example. But  
10 everything related to what we provide, yes.

11 Q. You said that all-inclusive is  
12 used differently in the industry than you use  
13 it?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. So starting with what you  
16 understand about the industry, what is the  
17 industry definition of all-inclusive?

18 A. Industry standard is generally use  
19 of the space. The food and beverage is  
20 typically done in-house. Any of your basic  
21 needs to execute an event are included, such as  
22 tables, chairs. Usually it's black or white  
23 linens. Silverware. That type of thing. All  
24 the minimalists you need to execute an event. We  
25 do all of that, plus several other things.

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1           Q.     And that is your definition of  
2     Gourmet Fresh, Edison777 all-inclusive? That  
3     plus the other things?

4           A.     Yes.

5           Q.     So what are the other things?

6           A.     We handle all of the DJ services  
7     for your on-site ceremony and reception. We  
8     handle all of the floral needs. So if you need  
9     center pieces, bouquets, boutonnieres. We do  
10    the wedding cake, as well. We offer 80  
11    different linen colors and napkin colors, as  
12    opposed to black or white. We have additional  
13    things that you can rent through us, such as  
14    chargers and votives and other decor  
15    enhancements. We have a photo booth. We offer  
16    valet. I'm sure there's others. Those are the  
17    big points.

18          Q.     So the DJ services. Those are  
19    provided by -- is it D&M DJ Services?

20          A.     Yes.

21          Q.     And they are not in the Gourmet  
22    Fresh, LLC, correct?

23          A.     Correct.

24          Q.     So they're kind of a preferred  
25    vendor?

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1     within my first few weeks, I basically spent  
2     that time creating and finalizing our wedding  
3     packages, our pricing, all of that. So on  
4     December 8th, when that was finalized, I sent  
5     it out to everyone who would initially inquire  
6     prior to that and basically said I don't have  
7     all my final information yet. Stay tuned.  
8     I'll send it to you when I get it. And so  
9     sometime on or about December 8th would have  
10    been when these clients in particular received  
11    that wedding packet from me.

12           Q.     Would you recall if it had been a  
13    referral?

14           A.     It wasn't.

15           Q.     Did they do any type of tour  
16    before booking?

17           A.     Sort of.

18           Q.     What kind of tour did they do  
19    before booking?

20           A.     Prior to the venue, prior to the  
21    building being up and running, I was meeting  
22    with prospective clients at The FIG Room.  
23    Which is less than half a mile away. So they  
24    would have met with me at The FIG Room. I had  
25    renderings, other information for them to kind

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1 of meet with me in person and chat through the  
2 day with them.

3 Q. These renderings, how were they  
4 presented?

5 A. Big foam core. I had poster  
6 boards. I think I had six of them at the time.

7 Q. So like two-dimensional printouts?

8 A. Two-dimensional printouts, yes.

9 Q. And what was depicted on those  
10 print outs?

11 A. I believe there were two different  
12 views of the street exterior of the building.  
13 There was a courtyard rendering. There were  
14 two interior renderings, and then there were  
15 one or two floor plan, sample floor plan,  
16 mockups. So there were, yeah, six or seven  
17 posters.

18 Q. So the exterior views were the  
19 front facade in the courtyard?

20 A. The exterior views were the front  
21 facade and then another angle of the front, and  
22 then the courtyard was a third.

23 Q. And then the interior views, what  
24 did those depict?

25 A. There was a view as if you were

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1           Q.     And those are done every six  
2     months?

3           A.     Roughly.

4           Q.     So the next one would be early  
5     June?

6           A.     Well, no.   Our next one is in  
7     January, because we changed the schedule.   It  
8     will be January, and then July is our next one  
9     after that.

10          Q.     How many couples attended last  
11     night?

12          A.     29 weddings.

13          Q.     And how many have you got  
14     scheduled for January so far?

15          A.     I think it's bigger than that.   So  
16     I think it's somewhere in the mid 30s.

17          Q.     Does anyone other than the couples  
18     attend those?

19          A.     Yes.

20          Q.     Is it typically parents?

21          A.     They're welcome to bring two  
22     complimentary guests to the first look events.  
23     It's generally parents, and then they can pay  
24     for two additional guests to attend.

25          Q.     Can you run me through what a

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1 first event looks like?

2 A. Yeah. It's the client's  
3 opportunity to see the space fully decorated,  
4 try our most popular entrees, try the most  
5 popular cake flavors and fillings, see a  
6 variety of linen samples, see a ton of floral  
7 ideas, different inspiration there.

8 It's just a fun night out for them  
9 to experience the venue similarly to how it  
10 might be on their wedding day. The DJ is there  
11 playing music. The bar is open. The photo  
12 booth is running. It's just kind of a nice  
13 night out for them to get ideas and try things.

14 Q. Besides private tours and the  
15 first look hosted last night, have there been  
16 any other events at 777 North 4th Street  
17 showcasing the venue, introducing it to  
18 clients?

19 A. Yes. In sometime over the summer  
20 we hosted a vendor open house. That was by  
21 invite only, but we invited various wedding  
22 vendors in the city to see the space.


23 We also held a client open house  
24 for our already-booked clients who had booked  
25 with me, again, prior to the venue being open.



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1           IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set  
2 my hand and seal of office at Dayton, Ohio, on  
3 this 12th day of December 2021.  
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13           NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF OHIO

My commission expires 8-9-2022  
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DEPOSITION REVIEW  
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CASE NAME: Edison Brewing Company, LLC v. Gourmet Fresh, LLC

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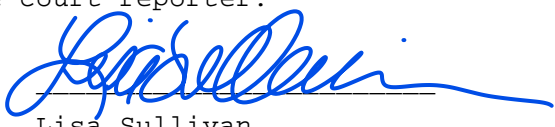
WITNESS' NAME: Lisa Sullivan

In accordance with the Rules of Civil  
Procedure, I have read the entire transcript of  
my testimony or it has been read to me.

I have made no changes to the testimony  
as transcribed by the court reporter.

02/04/2022

Date

  
Lisa Sullivan

Sworn to and subscribed before me, a  
Notary Public in and for the State and County,  
the referenced witness did personally appear  
and acknowledge that:

They have read the transcript;

They signed the foregoing Sworn  
Statement; and

Their execution of this Statement is of  
their free act and deed.

I have affixed my name and official seal

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